

1,000,000 CHINESE MADE HOMELESS BY RISING FLOOD

PEKING, Sept. 28.—More than 1,000,000 Chinese in the city of Tientsin and vicinity are homeless as the result of a flood that threatens the entire city. The city proper and all foreign concessions are under water, which is rising rapidly and which already covers much of the great plain to the southeast of Peking.

To permit the escape of the water the railway embankment has been cut between Tientsin and Nanking. The Grand Canal has been broken at many places by the overflow from the Hoang-Ho.

Under foreign supervision mud walls are being strengthened but all the streams in Chihli province continue to feed the flood.

WOMEN WILL REGISTER.

The women's committee of the Council of National Defense at its session yesterday in outlining the winter's work, approved plans for registration of the nation's woman power. Dates for registration have been set in sixteen States, ten of them by proclamation by the governors. The report on registration was made by Miss Hannah Jane Patterson, daughter of John G. Patterson, of Pittsburgh, Pa. Miss Patterson is prominently identified with the organization of civic clubs, public bathhouses and juvenile courts.

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FLYERS OF FRANCE TRAIN IN HARDEST OF WAR'S SCHOOLS

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THE AMERICAN EX-EDITIONARY ARMY, Sept. 28.—"Remember you are a member of the most elite branch of the French army," says a notice to young aviators posted in one of the principal French flying schools. To emphasize the distinctive quality of the aviation service each flyer receives a bonus of a franc a day in addition to his regular army pay of six sous.

However, the aviator is never in service long before he realizes that his is the banner branch of the game. He battles with the Boche, but not with the mud. He flies at a man and not a trench, and when the last fight comes across him he falls.

First Lesson to Hop.

And yet the aviator begins as the most ridiculous rookie of them all. His grounding days try his dignity, for the aviator must hop before he can fly. Even "hop" is too dignified a term.

In the French schools the new pupil begins on a tiny Bleriot called a penguin. This is a clipped wing contrivance. It scurries over the ground at twenty or perhaps thirty miles an hour, and only an expert can keep it in a straight course. If the penguin ever succeeds in getting out of control it whirls around in a short circle and collapses on its side. When the novice has learned to crawl straight he is allowed to run a machine which leaps in the air every little while, only to flop again to earth. Then he is ready to fly a Bleriot, though, of course, his first trips are made as a passenger. The Bleriot is a monoplane, and it is almost never used at the front now. Also it is the most ticklish contrivance of them all. The Bleriot seems to be used for instruction on the same principle that a batter swings three bats before he steps to the plate. It makes what follows seem easy.

Coming Down Hardest Trick.

Very little time is spent in flying. Staying up in the air is no great trick. Coming down creates most the trouble, so students are drilled persistently in landing. It is necessary to turn the nose of a Bleriot sharply before coming down, and a very slight miscalculation will wreck a machine. Accordingly many machines are wrecked and some fliers are killed. Probably a big flying school would average about three deaths a month.

There are few half measures in aviation. The flier is killed or he is only shaken up. If he is simply jarred the French believe in shaking the effects of the fall out of him at once. The wrecked machine is hauled away and the damaged aviator is helped into another plane and told to try it again.

"They had me started again before my nose stopped bleeding," said the victim of one accident. "I suppose it might have been worse if I'd gone to bed and thought about the smash-up all night, but it was just as it was. Usually you have a sense of absolute security up in the air. It's only when you begin to come down that you get nervous. This time I couldn't keep my eyes off the ground. As soon as I was 1,000 feet up I had a sort of feeling that the whole thing was irrational. I kept saying over and over to myself: 'You don't belong up here. You're on the ground down there—that's where you belong. Coming down was fierce, but I made the best landing I ever made in my life, and I've never had that scared feeling since.'"

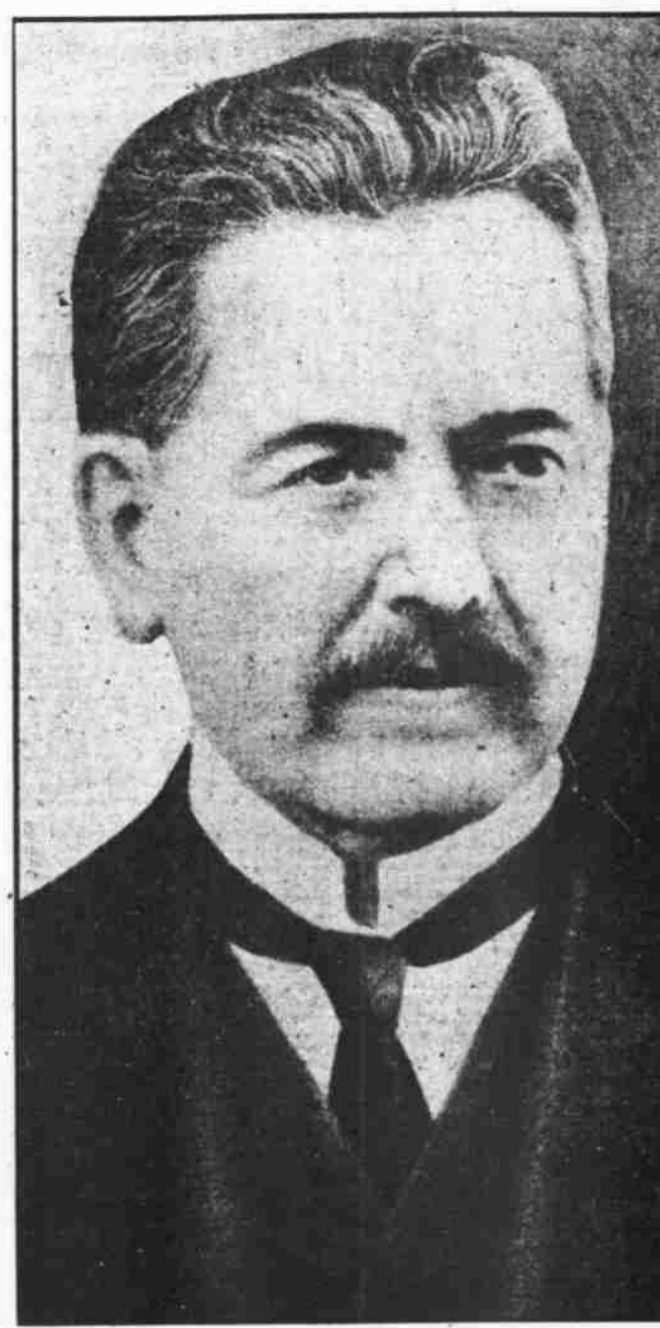
After the aviator has learned to land with a reasonable degree of skill he practices some of the simpler maneuvers of the air, such as sharp turns, and at the end of about four months after his entry into the school he flies ninety miles for his diploma.

Cloud Walk Can't Be Taught.

He is done with the Bleriot then and begins work at a specialty school with a Nieuport, which is the battle type of plane. He is supposed to pick up this plane, and only a few weeks are allowed in which to learn the serpentine, the spiral, the hairpin, the half loop, and other dodges of the air upon which his life may depend when he comes to fight the Boche.

Upon the completion of this course the aviator goes to the front and watches a little while before he goes into battle work. The tricks of offensive warfare in the clouds he must pick up largely for himself. These cannot be taught in any school.

President of Argentina Who Balks at War



HIPOLITO YRIGOYEN.
 —Photo by Underwood & Underwood.

IRIGOYEN REGARDS TROUBLE PAST; TO REMAIN NEUTRAL

OCOCOQUAN INQUIRY WILL BE GENERAL, BOARD DECLARES

BUENOS AIRES, Sept. 28.—President Yrigoyen regards the Luxburg incident as closed, and will do his utmost to continue Argentina's neutral policy, according to those closest to him today. Such a course is entirely opposite to the overwhelming vote recently of the senate and chamber of deputies in favor of a break with Germany, but the president was believed to have complete veto power over such resolutions. There was no perceptible change in Argentina's general attitude today. The only wheels moving on railroads were those of mail trains.

FEDERATED CATHOLICS MEET AT ALEXANDRIA

ALEXANDRIA, Va., Sept. 28.—Delegates to the convention of the Virginia chapter of the International Federation of Catholic Alumnae are in Alexandria today from all sections of the State to attend a three-day convention being held at St. Mary's Academy.

An informal reception will be tendered the delegates by the faculty and alumni of St. Mary's Academy from 4 to 6 o'clock this afternoon. The visitors will make a trip to Mt. Vernon tomorrow morning. A musical and literary program will be given tomorrow night.

W. H. Whitaker, who has been tendered as superintendent by Alonso Tweedale, auditor of the District, will leave Alexandria today, and will remain in Washington pending the investigation. Secretary Wilson said today that the length of time required can only be approximated, but it was hoped that the inquiry would not last longer than two weeks.

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12 ACCIDENTS IN A DAY PROVOKES CORONER TO WARN

The increased number of accidents from automobiles and other causes were denounced by Coroner J. R. Nevitt this afternoon in a talk before a jury following the inquest over Klaben Holland, eleven years old, who died at Emergency Hospital yesterday after being struck by a navy yard automobile on Wednesday.

Coroner Nevitt said today: "I find that careless pedestrians are about as much to blame as the automobilists."

I have observed that it is a case of six to one, and half a dozen of the other."

Yesterday five people were painfully hurt in twelve accidents recorded at Central police headquarters. The accidents and victims are as follows:

Raymond Roswell, twelve, 834 Eleventh street northeast, cut on legs and bruised; hit by automobile J. C. Roynane, 501 H street northeast.

George Hoffman, seventeen, 513 Massachusetts avenue northwest, bruised on forehead by automobile driven by McKinley Golden.

Walter B. Randall, fourteen, 903 Tenth street northwest, lacerations and bruises when knocked under team of horses by unidentified auto.

Edward G. Hill, three years old, 633 C street northeast, knocked down and bruised by a delivery automobile driven by William Foster, 307 Ninth street northeast.

Mrs. Catherine Blandy, Cherrydale, Va., hurt on back when automobile of her husband was struck by Washington Railway and Electric Company car.

Automobile of W. M. Ballinger, Baltimore, Md., collided with automobile of Chester Harrison, Concord apartment, both cars damaged.

Automobile of Richard Gardner, hit by unidentified autoist and damaged to extent of \$50.

Collision between automobile of William Willis, 1706 S street northwest, and buggy of John Matthews, rear 1002 Twentieth street northwest.

Automobile of Jacob E. Wilson, 1121 Potomac avenue southeast, hit by automobile of S. F. Waters, jr., 100 Tenth street southeast.

Automobile of C. S. Fairbanks, 1819 N street northwest, and Rev. William W. Shearer, 400 Davenport street northwest, in collision.

Automobile of F. J. Stockman, 1122 Girard street northwest collided with a street car of Washington Railway and Electric Company.

A fire hydrant at Seventeenth and L streets northwest was knocked off when struck by an automobile driven by William Collins of the Gish Garage.

ARTS CLUB OCTOBER TO COVER WIDE FIELD

Having undertaken the discussion and settlement of some of humanity's most puzzling questions outside the cultivation of art in all its branches, the Arts Club, according to its bulletin for October, just issued, will among other things settle the question "Why Is Marriage Popular?" with Rudolph De Zapp as chairman.

Many experts will speak on the question pro and con. "Feminism," with Mrs. Van Winkle as toastmistress; "The title of Diabla," Felix Mahoney, president; "Magic and Necromancy," with W. E. Stafford leading the discussion, are among the chief features on the program. A Halloween dinner will be given to celebrate "The Passing of Things Spirituous," with Mesdames Knorr, Gaynor, and Gangilla as witches in charge.

THEFT OF DIAMONDS REPORTED TO POLICE

Diamonds valued at several hundred dollars, together with other jewelry, were stolen from the residence of J. C. Tribby, 3115 M street northwest, sometime during last week, according to a report of the robbery made to the police this morning. The diamonds were mounted in earrings.

William A. Schmitt, 302 G street northwest, has reported the loss of a certificate of honorable discharge from the army that was contained in a pocket of blue serge suit stolen from his residence yesterday.

An owner for a chest of tools is wanted by the police of the Sixth Precinct. The chest was found at Sixth and G streets northwest this morning.

ROBERT DOUGAN JOINS PORTLAND CHAMBER

Robert Dougan, for many years the White House representative of the Associated Press, has resigned his position to become business representative in Washington of the Portland, Ore., Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Dougan has done active newspaper work in Washington for nine years, on the staff of The Times and other local dailies, and for the New York Sun's Washington bureau as well as with the Associated Press.

When Mr. Taft was President, Dougan covered the White House for the Sun and the Associated Press, and traveled nearly 100,000 miles across the country on Presidential trains. He has been assigned to most of the Government departments and is familiar with newspaper work at the Capitol.

HOLDS MUSIC NECESSITY.

"Why Music" was the topic of discussion at the regular Thursday night dinner at the Arts Club last night at which Mrs. John Jay White was toastmistress and Mrs. Allender and Miss Grace Needham, hostesses. The speakers, including Dr. Hamline E. Cogswell, director of music in the public schools; George Julian, George Julian, well-known sculptor; Miss Lella Mechlin, secretary of the Washington Society of Fine Arts; Mrs. Emma Prall Knorr, and Mr. Mackay agreed that the answer to "why music" was that it was a necessity. Dr. Cogswell illustrated the power of music by quoting a scientist who had said that if the national songs could be eliminated from Germany for two generations the empire would fall to pieces.

Moonshiners Take Oath Not to Drink, Sell or Make Whisky

WAYNESVILLE, N. C., Sept. 28.—Ministers and moonshiners in this section have joined hands, the latter pledging to quit business and aid the churchmen in enforcing prohibition laws.

At the close of a religious revival just held here, nine moonshiners went into court, carrying their stills. They took an oath not to manufacture, sell, or drink whisky again.

FOOD AUTHORITIES ADOPT NEW DEVICE FOR LOWER PRICES

Experts of the Department of Agriculture and the Food Administration are wrestling with the oldest problem in economics.

They are endeavoring to defeat, or at least, to circumvent one of its first and most invariable rules.

They must, they feel, find the answer if they are to take a fall out of the H. C. of L.

The Title Fish Case.

The Bureau of Fisheries discovered the title fish and popularized it as a cheap food, but when it became popularized it was no longer a cheap food, for the demand sent the price up. And so it has been all along the line. If the Government, through a skillful publicity campaign, popularizes the cheaper cuts of meat, they are no longer the cheaper cuts, the demand sends them up in price.

Before the automobile era, gasoline was used principally for cleaning. When the automobilists began using it it became expensive. Now, the refiners run much of the kerosene into gasoline.

Reviewing the never-ending succession of concentric circles of supply and demand, scores of Government experts are nonplused, but not discouraged.

They haven't found the answer, but fearing that thousands in the United States will be undernourished during the coming winter unless something is done, they are going to keep on trying.

Attack From All Sides.

After much careful thought, a new tack is to be taken. They are going to confuse the ogre with a concerted attack from all sides, each offsetting the pressure of the other. They are going to take the entire host of cheaper foods, from cuts of meat to grain and sorghums, and endeavor to popularize them all together, distributing the demand. Only in this way, it is felt, can the situation be met.

Consequently an educational campaign is to be started, encouraging the use of all of the cheapest and most nourishing foods.

GUYNEMER FELL FIGHTING ALONE 45 ENEMY PLANES

PARIS, Sept. 28.—Capt. George Guynemer, the most notable figure in aviation produced by the war, and how officially reported as missing, went down in an exploit no daring that it is certain to add lastingly to his fame. According to a comrade's story, Guynemer single handed attacked five German machines of the Albatross type. In addition to the foe immediately to hand, there were two more German craft high up on patrol duty, and these also attacked the Frenchman. Several Belgian machines attempted a diversion, but were too far away to be of service. Guynemer is believed to have been wounded, as his machine dipped gently, and did not seem entirely out of control. It was not on fire.

Guynemer, who was but twenty-two years old, in addition to being one of the most youthful captains in the French army, had won the Cross of the Legion of Honor, and many other decorations. He had an official credit of having destroyed fifty-three German planes and at least twenty-five more enemy craft, uncounted, were set down as his victims. All told, he is held to have accounted for more than eighty pilots, observers, and gunners. High French officials repeatedly had urged him to retire from active fighting and place his experience at the command of the air administration, but he refused.

U. S. TO INVESTIGATE LIQUOR SHIPPING

Four Arrested and Charged With Conspiring to Transport Booze.

Assistant United States Attorney Ralph Given is today investigating the case of three white men of Richmond, Va., and a colored driver, who were arrested last night on a charge of conspiring to ship liquor into a dry State. The four men were taken into custody by Policemen Duin near Second and H streets northeast, last night, while in riding a wagon in which ninety-six pints of liquor were discovered.

The liquor was found secreted under a layer of excelsior. The men would not say what they had planned to do with it.

The white men gave their names as Louis Morgan, Frank B. Timmons, and Charles Morgan. The negro who was driving the wagon gave his name as Scott Garland.

HYATTSVILLE ESCAPES COAL DEARTH HARDSHIP

Relief was felt in Hyattsville today because the Hyattsville Gas Company has secured a supply of coal sufficient for a week.

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POLICE SEARCH FOR BOY MOTOR THIEVES

The police today sought a crowd of youthful joyriders, who last night took a seven-passenger automobile owned by August Brill, 1000 Twenty second street northwest. According to the report made to the authorities four boys are responsible for the theft of the car.

An automobile of Duncan D. Ransdell, of the Washington Gas Light Company, was sought by detectives and patrolmen today. The car was taken by two men last night on Fifteenth street near the Treasury.

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No matter what your size, you can be exactly fitted. The tall man, the short man, the stout man, the thin man, even the man of "odd" proportions, won't have the slightest difficulty in finding his exact measure.

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